

## COTTAGE BAKERY FROM HOME

# Can I sell from my kitchen in Danville City, Virginia?

Home kitchen sales. Not a shop or rented commercial kitchen. Last verified 2026-05-06.

STATE FOOD PERMIT

**No**

HOME OCCUPATION

**Varies**

BUSINESS LICENSE

**Likely**

SALES CAP

**Tiered**

VIRGINIA RULES. OPEN THESE FIRST.

[Virginia permits PDF](#)[Virginia cottage food law page](#)[Virginia Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services cottage food program](#)[Statute: Va. Code §3.2-5130 \(HB 402 / 2026 c. 605\)](#)**NOT LEGAL ADVICE**

This is what it takes to sell from a home kitchen in Danville City. Confirm each step with Planning, Health, and the license office before you sell.

## What you need

Danville City, Virginia. File every Yes. Confirm every Check or Ask. Stay under the sales cap.

STATE FOOD PERMIT

**No**

ANNUAL SALES CAP

**Tiered**

HOME OCCUPATION / ZONING

**Varies**

LOCAL HEALTH

**No**

BUSINESS LICENSE

**Likely**

PICKUP AT THE HOUSE

**Yes**

### HOME KITCHEN ONLY

If you want a shop or a rented commercial kitchen, these rows do not apply.

### CONTINUE ONLINE

**Virginia permits PDF →**

<https://crosodo.com/reports/pdf/permits/virginia.pdf>

**Virginia cottage food law page →**

<https://crosodo.com/states/virginia>

**Permit page for this place →**

<https://crosodo.com/what-permits/virginia/danville-city>

**Danville City cottage food law page →**

<https://crosodo.com/states/virginia/danville-city>

Not legal advice. Rules change. Confirm with the office before you file.

## Where to file

### State

Virginia registration: No. Routine kitchen inspection: No. As amended by HB 402 (Acts of Assembly 2026 Ch. 605), effective July 1, 2026: exempt foods may be sold at any location, through the internet, or by phone to an individual in Virginia for their own consumption, and delivered in person, by mail, or by delivery service in Virginia. Still no resale, consignment, restaurants, retail food establishments, or out-of-state sales. Local zoning still applies. The VDACS home-food-processor FAQ PDF is stale (still says no online sales); the statute controls. <https://lis.virginia.gov/bill-details/20261/HB402>

Virginia permits PDF: [crosodo.com/reports/pdf/permits/virginia.pdf](https://crosodo.com/reports/pdf/permits/virginia.pdf)

State law page: [crosodo.com/states/virginia](https://crosodo.com/states/virginia)

Virginia Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services: <https://www.vdacs.virginia.gov/food-information-for-vendors-and-businesses-home-food-processors.shtml>

Statute: [Va. Code §3.2-5130 \(HB 402 / 2026 c. 605\)](#)

### Zoning / home occupation

Varies. Virginia state cottage food law requires no permit. Danville city may require a local home occupation or business license. Operators should contact Danville city planning/zoning and the city clerk for local business license requirements.

### Health

No. VDACS may inspect upon consumer complaint. No routine inspection under cottage food exemption.

### Business license

Likely

### Pickup / delivery

Direct sales only at home, farmers markets, or temporary events (up to 14 consecutive days). No online ordering, no shipping, no wholesale, no interstate sales.

### If you rent a commissary kitchen

**VDACS treats a commercial kitchen as a food-processing operation.** Virginia cottage food is a home exemption. A commissary or commercial kitchen that manufactures food for sale needs a VDACS inspection and permit. VDACS publishes a commercial-kitchen food-processing application. Local health departments permit restaurants and similar food establishments.

Official source: [VDACS home and commercial kitchen businesses](#)

Local health office we have on file: <https://www.danvilleva.gov>

This file is the home-kitchen path. A rented kitchen uses a different permit. Ask the kitchen manager which license they expect, then call the local health office.

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**SOURCES**

<https://www.danvilleva.gov>

<https://law.lis.virginia.gov/vacode/3.2-5130/>

<https://www.vdacs.virginia.gov/food-information-for-vendors-and-businesses-home-food-processors.shtml>

## Danville city and nearby places

| Regulation                 | Danville city                                                                                                                                  | Pittsylvania County                                                                                                                            | Henry County                                                                                                                                    |
|----------------------------|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| HOME KITCHEN ALLOWED       | Yes                                                                                                                                            | Yes                                                                                                                                            | Yes                                                                                                                                             |
| SEPARATE DEDICATED KITCHEN | No                                                                                                                                             | No                                                                                                                                             | No                                                                                                                                              |
| PETS ALLOWED               | No specific state cottage food pet restriction; good sanitation practices expected.                                                            | No specific pet restriction in state cottage food law.                                                                                         | Not specified in state law.                                                                                                                     |
| INSPECTION REQUIRED        | No                                                                                                                                             | No                                                                                                                                             | No                                                                                                                                              |
| ON-SITE CUSTOMER PICKUP    | Yes                                                                                                                                            | Conditional                                                                                                                                    | Yes                                                                                                                                             |
| ON-SITE SIGNAGE            | Conditional                                                                                                                                    | Conditional                                                                                                                                    | Conditional                                                                                                                                     |
| DELIVERY / PICKUP          | Direct sales only at home, farmers markets, or temporary events (up to 14 consecutive days). No online ordering, no shipping, no wholesale,... | Direct sales only — no resale, no consignment, no retail food establishment sales. Home pickup, farmers markets, events, roadside stands, o... | Direct-to-consumer sales only. No resale or consignment through retail food establishments. All-caps label disclaimer required.                 |
| HOME OCCUPATION PERMIT     | Varies                                                                                                                                         | Varies                                                                                                                                         | Conditional                                                                                                                                     |
| LOCAL BUSINESS LICENSE     | Likely                                                                                                                                         | Varies                                                                                                                                         | Varies                                                                                                                                          |
| RESTRICTIONS               | Virginia Home Kitchen Food Processing Exemption (Va. Code §3.2-5130) permits direct-to-consumer sale of non-TCS shelf-stable foods from a p... | Virginia allows non-TCS shelf-stable foods from private home. No registration or inspection required. No stated dollar cap for non-acidifie... | Must be primary private home. Products must be non-TCS shelf-stable foods. Pickles/acidified vegetables (pH ≤4.6) allowed with \$9,000 annua... |
| FOOD STORAGE               | Non-TCS (not time/temperature control for safety) shelf-stable foods only.                                                                     | Products must be shelf-stable and non-TCS.                                                                                                     | Products must be shelf-stable and non-TCS.                                                                                                      |
| POPULATION                 | 42,507                                                                                                                                         | 60,541                                                                                                                                         | 50,760                                                                                                                                          |

## More pages for this place

These Crosodo pages cover the same home cottage-food path:

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